

FORT LAUDERDALE ORCHID SOCIETY

The purpose of the Society is to stimulate interest, provide education and enable exchange of information among those interested in the culture of orchids in all its aspects.

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ANNUAL SHOW A SUCCESS! By Michael Schaberl

The Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society's 58th annual show and sale was a great hit and deemed a success by patrons, vendors and most importantly ... our volunteers! Congratulations to us all!

I would like to thank all of you who volunteered your time and energy to help keep our show the 2nd largest in the continental US. Special thanks go to Board members Joan Connors, Brian Boyle, Ginny Salus, Zoe Behar, Rich Ackerman, and Craig Barry who all headed up many different areas of the show and contributed to the smooth flow & success of it all. Les Corbin, Tony Millet, Gigi Granger, Vicki Hallock, and Loren Colburn - all added their time and energy to insure our show was the best it could be.

There also were a large number of volunteers who participated daily, offering their expertise, positive attitude, and brute strength. will be orchids for all of you who volunteered at our February 8th monthly meeting. Without them, we could not have had the great event we all produced!

There really special thanks to Chris Crepage, Nora Dyke and John Wrench who are Orchid Show gurus and without whom I

would have been less than I seemed. They each provided guidance, confidence and wisdom when it was needed. I am very humbled and grateful for your participation.

We look forward to our 2017 show "Galaxy of Orchids"!

February Speaker: Hyla Levine

Our February speaker will be Hyla Levine from Green Barn Orchid Supplies in Delray Beach. Hyla Levine and Lynn Lappin opened the Green Barn store in 2003 with only \$2,500. Their purpose was to provide Palm Beach area orchid growers and hobbyists with a place to buy orchid related products. Green Barn Orchid Supplies is located on the property of Elegant Orchids in an old barn that has evolved into a cozy supply store.

Hyla has been growing for orchids for over 15 years. She will be demonstrating orchid repotting, fertilizing, and treating for pest. Bring a notepad and shopping list.



Mark Your Calendar

February 8—Hyla Levine from The Green Barn Orchid Supplies (one of our advertisers) will talk on Orchid Care for Beginners (For all the new orchids we bought at the show!)

March 14—Mac Rivenbark of Mac's Orchids will speak on Dendrobiums. One of our favorites.

April—Ramble (information will be available at the February 8th meeting. April 11— Roger Hammer professional photographer will talk about how he has photographed 89 of the 108 native orchids in Florida.

May 9 John Salventi of Parkside Orchid Nursery will talk on Orchid Nutrition and Demystifying Fertilizing.

A very big and special **Thank You** to John Wrench for our new FLOS Newsletter design.



C. Big Ben 'Blue Mountain' HCC/AOS—Craig Barry

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January Speaker

Fred Clarke

Fred Clark, Sun Valley Orchids in California, spoke at our January meeting. His interest in orchids started out when he was around 18 by helping his neighbor repot her orchids, and he began making his first hybrids when he was about 19, he's been hybridizing orchids for about 40 years including many Catasetums.

Catasetums are in the Cymbidium family, and have been in cultivation since the early 1800's. Catasetums are known for having 2 downward hanging bristles on the male flowers. There are about 180 known species of Catasetums.

Catasetums prefer growing in open areas with lots of air movement, monsoonal summers and dry winters with lots of light. They grow naturally in palms in Venezuela, in the "v" made from where the frond grows out from the palm. Catasetum male flowers have pollen injecting triggers and are sexually dimorphic, meaning the male flowers are much showier than the female flowers. They have widely varying flower shapes, color & form. They can flower up to 5 times a year and many are fragrant. Some Catasetums are pollinated by the Euglossine bees. The Catasetums are easily grown by the hobbyist. (Edna Rosen)



Opportunities to get involved

Election time is coming up— if you are interested in being involved with the FLOS Board please contact Rich Ackerman:

richackerman@gmail.com

- The Board is considering forming some new committees;
 - to help new members make connections,
 - to create Twitter and Instagram blogs
 - to rescue plants from retail stores which have finished blooming, rebloom them and distribute to the sick and elderly

If you are interested in one or more of these committees please contact Joan Connors: marti2599@hotmail.com

◆ The FLOS has been asked to help with the 4th Annual A Tropical Plant Fair March 26 & 27. If you want to be involved please contact John Wrench: johnwrench@bellsouth.net



NEW MEMBERSHIPS:

Barbara & Joseph Altman	Zia & Mitsy Mian
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Phyllis Kim Holtzclaw	Carol Stokrocki
Dolores Hurst	Tena Swiller
Sara Hutchings	Mike & Suzanne Vaupel
Paula & David Kramer	Laura Wynn
Phyllis & Hart McIntyre	Brad Zuckerman
John F Medeiros	

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

At the February meeting new members pick up your badge as you come into the meeting and stop at the Membership table for your welcome packet and your new member orchid.

January Ribbons

Bc. Yellow Bird	Gage Simmons	Blue
C. Big Ben 'Blue Mountain' HCC/AOS	Craig Barry	Blue
C. Elaine Taylor x Pot. rubescence	Tony Millet	Blue
C. lueddemanniana	Rich Ackerman	Blue
Den. goldschmidtianum	Rich Ackerman	Blue
Den. Miro Chip	Gage Simmons	Blue
Dtps. Fusheng Sweet Paradise	Claire Garrett	Blue
Onc. peltiforme	Tony Millet	Blue
Oncidesa Sweet Sugar	Gage Simmons	Blue
Phcal. Irrorata Phaius. tankervilleae x Cal. vestita	Rich Ackerman	Blue
Rhv. Thailand x V. tesselatta x Mimi Palmer	Gage Simmons	Blue
V. Kultana Golden x self	Sue Dohn	Blue
V. Robert's Delight	Michael Bryant	Blue
Onc. spathulatum	Claire Garrett	Red

Members' Page

RENEWAL TIME

All memberships are due for renewal as of January 2016! You can renew your membership:

- ♦ At the February meeting (Membership Table)
- ♦ On the FLOS website—FLOS.org
- ♦ By check using the envelope in the February Newsletter

The Membership Committee is updating FLOS records to include "Year of Joining." Please email richackerman@gmail.com with the year (and month if you remember) that you joined.

A special thanks to everyone who helped at the show!



Phcal. Irrorata Phaius. tankervilleae x Cal. vestita Rich Ackerman



V. Robert's Delight—Michael Bryant



C. lueddemanniana—Rich Ackerman



V. Kultana Golden x self—Sue Dohn



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Time: 7:30 pm

Place: Christ Lutheran Church Social Hall

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